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## Shortage of Skilled Workers in U. S.?

Persistent rumors relating to the deficiency in the numbers of skilled workmen available to step into industrial openings culminated recently in the report issued by the United States Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber started out to make a survey of the effectiveness of state employment services. It concluded that employment services were operating as efficiently as possible. But it also discovered that there is something to the reports of a skilled labor shortage.

Particularly acute, according to the report, are conditions in the metal and building trades industries. The Chamber also concluded that the shortages appear to be most noticeable in the east and middle west.

What alarmed the Chamber particularly was the fact that the average age of skilled workers in the building trades was 45 in the metal trades, 47. If this is true, they ask, what will happen in other years? From where can industry expect to get its new workers, trained in their trades?

Breakdown of the apprentice system and restrictions of vocational training in schools as a result of the depression are blamed by the Chamber as being responsible for the present lack of skilled workers. The report also speculated on the effects work-relief programs may have had on skill. In many cases, it was said, employers are hesitant to accept men who have been on relief projects for the past several years because they have lost the skills of their trades.

Thereport of the Chamber of Commerce has not been calmly accepted. No sooner had the figures been published than the C. I. O. countered with a vigorous refutation of any and all arguments that skilled labor was nowhere to be had. On the contrary, said John L. Lewis, the labor market is glutted with all kinds of skill and their problem is, as always, a shortage of jobs.

The C. I. O. set the unemployment figure at 9,500,000 with 5,500,000 registered at the U. S. Employment Service offices. In addition, according to C. I. O. figures, more than a million WPA workers are available for private industry.

Despite present conditions in the ranks of the skilled, the fact that a future shortage is impending cannot be overlooked. Apprentice systems were hit during the depression for the valid reason that it seemed futile to train new men for jobs which didn't exist; and because apprentices would have been used to take over the duties of trained workmen. It is also true that vocational training programs suffered in the schools because of shortage of funds.

There are about 5,000,000 young people out of work. It is believed very few are trained for industry. Many have had university educations to fit them for business and the professions, most of the others have received no training at all.

With the average age of the skilled worker getting higher, the shortage of skill may soon become too evident for anyone to deny.

## THE FAMILY DOCTOR

T. M. REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.  
By DR. MORRIS FISHER, trained in the  
Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the  
Health Magazine

## Nature Provides Fluid Sacs to Cushion Spots Where Body Gets Heaviest Wear

In certain parts of the body where there is likely to be much rubbing or pressure, the tissues develop sacs of fluid which serve to minimize the effect of the irritation.

Tailors get these little sacs of fluid to keep from sitting with their legs crossed. Many people get similar bumps from wearing shoes that fit badly. These appear in the form of bunions at the head of the big toe, where the bursa forms between the hardened skin and the calloused bone. Little ones form occasionally under hard corns.

As a result of continued irritation and pressure, the bursa may become distended with fluid, after which it will hurt when touched and become tender and painful when the joint is moved. If the condition is chronic, the walls of the sac containing the fluid become thick. There may be bleeding into the bursa, and when the blood clots, it will become more solid to the touch.

Dr. L. R. Broster has listed the areas in which the bursas occur most often. The one that occurs over the front of the knee cap is called prepatellar bursa, and also gives rise to a condition known as housemaid's knee.

These bursas may occur also back of the knee cap—sometimes at the back of the knee itself—where they may be pressure from the clothing.

## BRILLIANT GEM

### HORIZONTAL

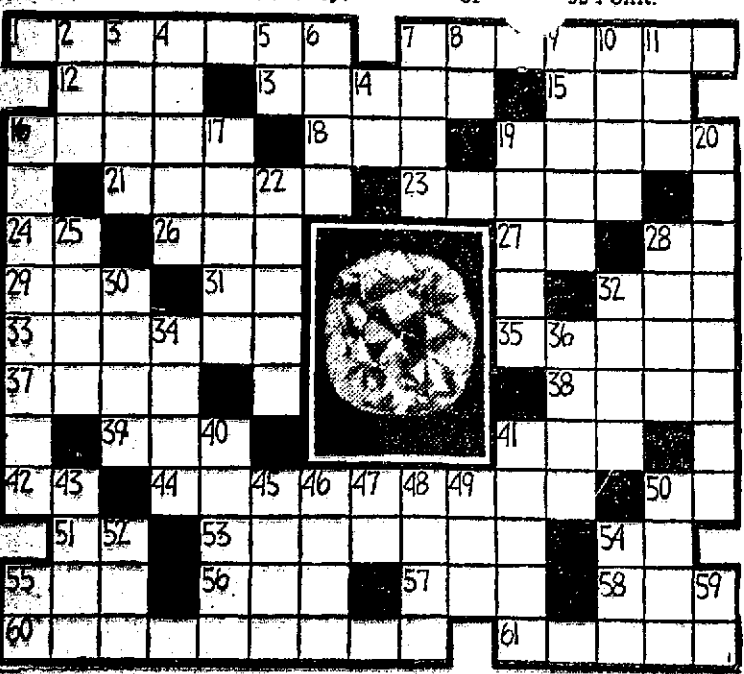
- Gem formed by crystallized carbon.
- It is the substance known.
- Poem.
- Thin cake.
- Adam's mate.
- Old womanish.
- Eccentric wheel.
- Abrupt.
- Concise.
- Force.
- Railroad.
- To gnaw.
- Either.
- Musical note.
- Ridge.
- Therefore.
- Varnish ingredient.
- Table utensil.
- Oleoresin.
- Thought.
- Money changing.
- Humor.
- Sister.
- Electric term.

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

ALBERT C. LEBRON  
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44 Quelled.  
50 While.  
51 Sound of surprise.  
53 Nor.  
54 Dye.  
55 Native metal.  
58 Salt.  
57 Cuckoo.  
58 Corded cloth.  
60 This gem is mined in Africa.  
61 It is cut into — s to give it brilliancy.

grinding substance.  
17 To rub out.  
19 Took oath.  
20 It is highly valued as a — stone.  
22 Tempest.  
25 Foray.  
28 Branches.  
30 Killed.  
32 Table supports.  
34 Squirrel skin.  
36 Deposited.  
40 Rigid.  
41 Fine line of a letter.  
43 Spore masses.  
45 Fruit.  
46 Streamlet.  
47 And.  
48 Chaise.  
49 Measure.  
50 On the lee.  
52 Skirt edge.  
54 Circle part.  
55 All right.  
59 Point.



## Answer to Cranium Cracker

### Questions on Page One

- Marlan Anderson; (c) was refused permit to sing in D. A. R. hall.
- Paul V. McNutt; (b) became federal security administrator.
- Simund Freud; (a) died.
- Gen. Walter Krivitsky; (b) revealed Stalinit espionage system in Central Europe.
- Col. Charles Lindbergh; (d) addressed nation on neutrality.

Sometimes there is a bursa at the hip joint, sometimes under the buttocks and, occasionally, at the back of the leg where the long tendon comes up from the heel. Sometimes a bursa will form at the elbow, particularly in miners and athletes. Finally there is a big bursa, which frequently becomes inflamed, just under the big muscle over the shoulder.

There is no good way to treat a bursa, except to remove the cause of the irritation or pressure that gives rise to it. Next best is to clean the skin and then have a surgeon remove excess fluid with a needle. In some instances, it is not necessary to remove the fluid because continuous application of heat and rest will permit absorption of the excess fluid when the chronic irritation stops. Sometimes an operation is required to remove the bursa completely.

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM LATEST BOOKS

### Recalls Tale of Seven Indians Caught in Wedge

If you like folklore, the tall tales, ballads and legends of a people, you can do no better than read "Body, Boots and Britches" by Harold W. Thompson (Lippincott, \$3.50). Here is the Americana of New York state from "cannawlers" to whalers, from Injun-fighters to just plain folks. Here are the characters in real life who have inspired authors from Washington Irving to Kenneth Roberts. Just a lot of this salty, diverting book is given here, the story of Tom Quick, Injun-fighter extraordinary.

Among the folk the favorite tale about Tom concerns the rail-splitting. One spring Tom was splitting rails in the Marquette Valley for a man named Westbrook. Temporarily off guard, he had left his rifle standing against a tree and was driving a wedge into an unusually tough log when he looked up to see seven armed Indians grinning at his predicament. That might have been the end of his rail-splitting, but the Indians always made the mistake of wishing to share their fun with an entire village, by taking their captive to a place of torture.

The secret of Tom's success was that he was an individualist who hunted redskins alone and shot on sight. In this case, he agreed to go with them quietly if they would help him finish splitting the log. The proposal appealed to two trait which you still find in our Indians—their curiosity and their ironic sense of humor. Dropping their rifles, they ranged themselves as directed, three on one side of the log, four on the other, each with his hands in the split.

At Tom's word of command, they pulled manfully, but instead of driving the wedge in farther, Tom knocked it out and beheld the pleasing sight of seven enemies caught by the hands in his log. Without wasting powder he swung his ax; he was nearer by seven to his goal of 100 slain Indians.

## WE THE WOMEN

### By RUTH MILLETT

It is easy for a wife to give her husband an over-dose of build-up.

If she doesn't use judgment and caution in dispensing the tonic, she chances turning her husband into one of the great horde of discontented who think they know more than the boss, feel that they are wasting themselves on a job that is beneath them, and blame everyone but themselves when something goes wrong.

The only time it is wise for a woman to give a man the idea that his boss hasn't sense enough to appreciate him is when the boss has just given him two weeks' notice.

Then his ego is so badly deflated, no kind of "build-up" is too much.

But so long as a man has a job he had better be allowed to respect the man above him.

Otherwise he will get lazy. No one does his best work when he has been made to think that he is over-worked, under-paid, and not appreciated.

And — men being the poor actors they are — the man who feels too good for his job won't be able to hide his resentment from his employer for very long.

Wife Should Know There Is a Limit

Plenty of men have changed from eager, hard workers anxious to more than earn their salaries into do-it-the-easiest-way-hangers-on because the "little woman" has built up their self-esteem until it is all out of proportion to their brains and ability.

Of course, it is important for a woman to give a man all the build-up he needs. But, if she doesn't want to burthen him with a work she has to sense when enough is enough.

## The Little Train That Sure Was There

PUEBLO, Colo.—(AP)—Seated calmly at his desk, Jay J. Martin, steel company executive, heard a crash and looked up.

A locomotive plowed through the wall, picked him out of his chair and deposited him on the "cow-catcher" and then crashed through a partition with him. The worst he suffered was a fractured ankle.

The engineer, who jumped just before the locomotive crashed the wall, said the throttle apparently stuck and the engine, a narrow gauge "dinky" jumped the track and plumed into the nearby office building where Martin was seated.

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The foundation of the currency system of India is the rupee. It is of silver and weighs 180 grains.

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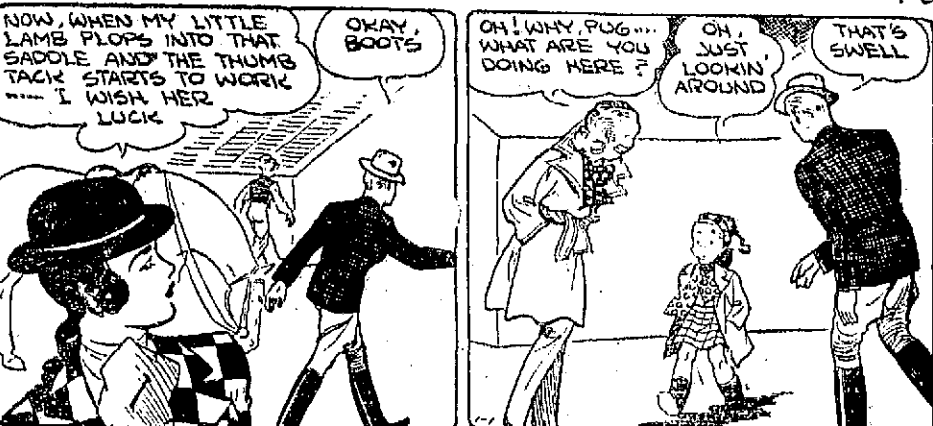
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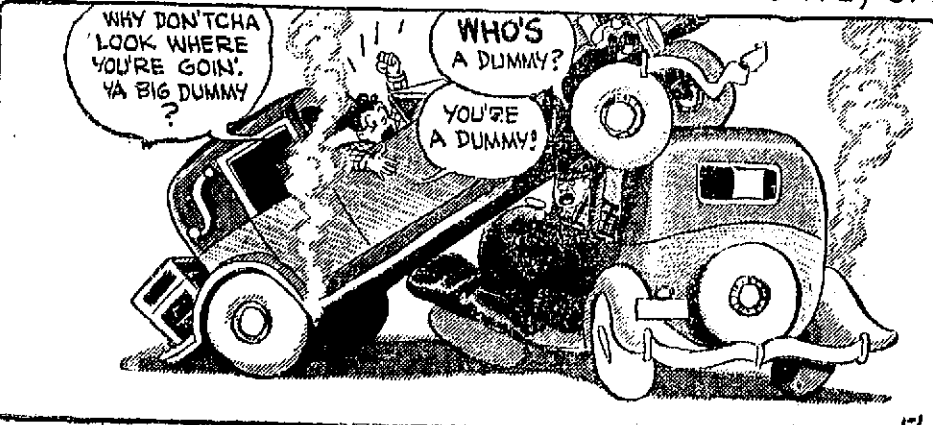
## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



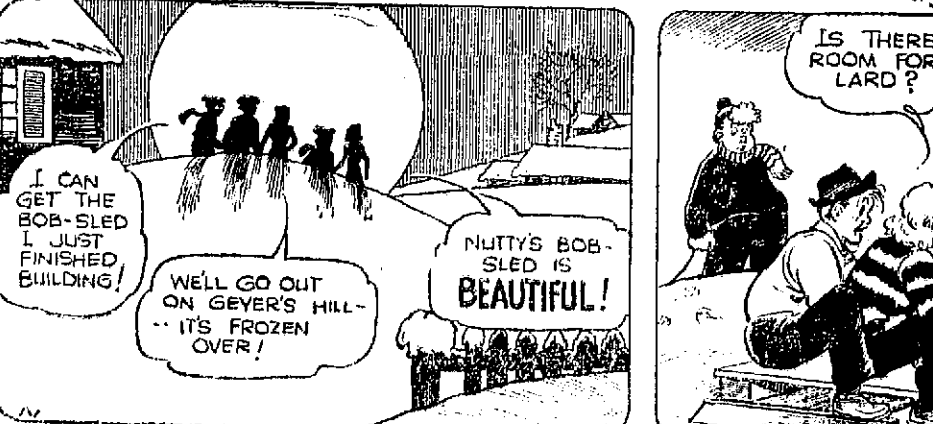
## ALLEY OPP



## WASH TUBBS



## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



## RED RYDER



## Lost

LOST—Small black coin purse, on Highway 67—toward Texarkana or in Hope. Reward, W. P. Singleton. 28-3tc

The James-Lange theory of emotions reverses the commonly-accepted concept of human actions. According to this theory we are frightened because we run, instead of running because we are frightened. Other emotions are similarly reversed.

## OUT OUR WAY



## Pug Is Willing



## Too Hot to Handle



## The Way of All Resolutions



## Pagliacci



## Time Out for Discussion



## By Fred Harman



# SOCIETY

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## At The Door of the Year

The corridors of Time,  
Are full of doors—the portals of closed years:  
We enter them no more, though hither  
Beats hard against them, and we hear  
The chime  
Of lost dreams, dirge-like, in behind  
them ring.  
At memory's opening,  
But one door stands ajar—  
The New Year's, while the golden  
chain of days  
Held it half-shut, the eager foot delays  
That presses to its threshold's mighty  
bar.  
But all doors openeth He,  
The new-born Christ, the Lord of the  
New Year,  
The threshold of our locked hearts  
standeth ajar.  
And while he gives us back Love's  
rusty key,  
Our future on us with His eyes has  
smiled,  
Even as a little child . . . Selected.

The Bay View Reading Club will meet at three o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. E. White, N. Louisiana street, with Miss Meryl Henry and Mrs. J. H. Arnold as associate hostesses. Roll call response will be Resolutions For The New Year.

Purely Personal—Some years ago, in my youthful days, my brother and I had the pleasure of entertaining seven of our girl friends from the neighboring town of Prescott at a five-day house party. Outstanding among the girls was a tall, graceful blonde, to whom we were both the least bit partial, for a friendship had existed between our families, with our parents before us for a number of years, she and I having seen the light of day in the same village of Mineral Springs, Ark. Consequently in making out our schedule of entertainment for our guests we consulted for Hope's most eligible and promising young swimmer and introduced Lillian Hayes of Prescott, to Kenneth G. McRae of Hope, a rising young business man who had lately moved to our city from the little town of Mt. Holly, the village to Hope is largely indebted for a number of her citizens, who have been prominent in building up the best town in the state of Arkansas. Time passed on—the bringing together of this young lady and young man blossomed into romance, culminating into one of the happiest marriages, it has ever been our pleasure to know, and this Christmas they had the joy of having all of their splendid family of children and their families, with the exception of Hayes McRae of Detroit, Mich., who was unable to join the group.

gather in the old home for a family reunion. Mrs. Taylor Stunt came from Hot Springs, Ark. she was joined by Mrs. Glenn Graham from Three Rivers, Mich. Mrs. Jack Meek from Bradley, Miss Helen McRae of Fort Worth, Tex. and Kenneth G. McRae Jr. of this city. Mr. McRae has been in the hardware business in our town for the past fifty four years, Mr. and Mrs. McRae have been most prominent in the religious and civic life of our town. Mr. McRae is the recipient of a "City Father" has helped and been outstanding in putting over community interests that have gone far toward the better living of our citizens. Mrs. McRae with her unusual executive ability has been honored with the highest offices, in the Women's Work in the Presbyterian church and different civic clubs have been organized for the betterment of our town and the surrounding communities. Today, Monday, January 1st, 1940 Mr. and Mrs. McRae are observing their Golden Wedding anniversary, while their host of friends are wishing them many more years of continued happiness, and the writer in looking over the past, her many deeds of omission and commission, is most proud of having had a part in bringing about such an example as the union of these two such congenial souls, and very, very happy over the fact that this friendship formed in childhood days has continued and ripened into one of the most cherished things in her life.

Miss Floy Mae Russell, who has been in the employment of Burris in this city for the past few years, has accepted a like position with that firm in Wewoka, Okla.

The Clara Lowthorpe chapter C. of C. will entertain at its Holiday Dance Monday evening January 1st at the New Capital hotel.

Miss Mary Ann Gilliam has returned to her home in El Dorado, after a holiday visit with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. LaGrone.

Harper Leeper has returned to Austin, Texas after a Christmas visit with his sisters, Mrs. J. Finley Ward and Mr. Ward and the Billy Bob Herdons.

Circle No. 2 of the W. M. S. First Methodist church, Mrs. B. W. Edwards leader will meet at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Sam Warnack, 614 South Washington street.

Honorable Pope Jr. left Sunday for Dallas, Tex. where he will see the Cotton Bowl football game.

Circle No. 3 Woman's Missionary Society, First Methodist church will meet at three o'clock Tuesday after-

## Not a Bad War



Deep underground in France's Maginot Line soldiers take time out from war to patronize the "bar." Note the beer pouring from a tap at the left.

## RAISING A FAMILY

Children Need Pride in Many Things—Themselves, More Than Anything Else

Which pride plays greatest part in a child's life:  
A. Pride in parents?  
B. Pride in self?  
C. In appearance?  
D. Ownership?  
I have just read a story of a boy

moon at the home of Mrs. Edwin Stewart.

Vesco Bright has returned to Stillwater, Okla. after a visit with his mother Mrs. Mary Bright.

Mr. and Mrs. Rider spent the holidays in Houston, Texas with their son, Hoyt Rider and wife.

May the year faith and happiness  
To friends dear to me;  
May someone learn forgiveness  
Through love and charity.  
May someone know that all things  
good  
Are sent from heaven above;  
May someone learn that hope and  
faith  
Are elements of love.  
May someone cast from life and heart  
All bitterness and strife;  
May someone give a heart to God,  
And consecrate a life . . . A New  
Year's Prayer. —Selected.

But what a world of truth there is in it all. Children feel a reflected glory in their parents and in their status. They want other people to like their mamas and papas. A slight to the older folk is more than a cut to the children.

Any boy or girl hurt through his parents is miserable. Sometimes this is due to the parents themselves. If mother reuses dad about another "boy friend," even just in fun, Jimmy may

die inside himself. If father takes too many drinks and other people know it, Jimmy would rather not go to school or go anywhere. Pride in appearance is very important. Mothers reading this may smile when they think how Jimmy won't wash his ears or how Janey won't tuck up her clothes. Yet, in spite of all this, children are extremely sensitive about their looks. They may not care much about the cleanliness of ears and neck or the furrows in their pockets, but I think they just hope no one will notice. They want to look like other children. Maybe they haven't the latest or the finest, but if they are different, they hate it. Any child would rather have an old jerkin, if jerkins are "the" things other children are wearing, than the gardest glod-but-ton overcoat in the world.

Now pride in self. Ah, we are getting places. This is best of all. Jimmy needs to shine. So does Janey. Both must be able to keep place or else. They must be made to feel that they are as smart as the next one, or almost as smart. So they need praise for doing anything they do reasonably well. Praise may even be stretched a point now and then in order to encourage pride.

Without all the facts of pride, we simply can't be happy. Neither can a child.

## Swing, a Dominant Note in the 30's

Holds on Despite Forecast of Swift End

By PAUL ROSS  
AP Feature Service Writer  
Millions of Americans were—and are—outraged, puzzled or exhilarated by a phenomenon called Swing which seemed to spring to life in the 30's. Actually, swing was not born in this decade but re-born or re-recognized. The name "swing" itself is merely a newer name for the negro music first brought into the white world under the name of "Jazz."

Despite the fact that the 20's have been labeled "The Jazz Age," very little genuine jazz was played by the important, popular dance bands of the era. These groups concentrated on music that was flashy, tricky, strummy and financially successful. To negroes, and a few white men, influenced by them, was left the privilege of playing jazz—an indelibly negro music which combines pulsating tempo with subtle rhythms, provocative harmony, eloquent improvisations, and talented musicianship.

Then, at the end of the 20's, jazz was reintroduced to the general public. Swing experts say it was done by the Casa Loma band, which interspersed its regular slick stuff with some real jazz. An audience for it

developed speedily. Meanwhile, the negro bands of Duke Ellington, Fletcher Henderson and Louis Armstrong had been gaining adherents, too. Then Benny Goodman came along to symbolize and sum up the growing trend. Overnight, it appeared, swing struck America.

Bands that wouldn't touch swing with a stick claimed they played it. Bands that started out in earnest to play it found themselves in lucrative spots where they couldn't. Press-agents picked up or fabricated "swing terms." "Jitterbugs" began to jabber in strange language. Places where swing bands played loud, fast and flashy stuff, but not, necessarily, jazz, became centers where pitting youths howled and stamped.

Jazzmen, such as "Bix" Beiderbecke, whose work and existence had been largely ignored, became invested with a kind of sainthood. Publications were filled with learned and misinformed treatises predicting a quick end for swing.

At the end of the decade real jazz—or swing if you will—can still be heard where it was heard at the beginning—at the private "jam sessions" of musicians, in obscure little dives in bad neighborhoods, on records of old records; occasionally on the radio and on new records.

Neo Praise For Tasks Well Done

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## Hollywood Keeps Her Hopping



Busiest person in all Hollywood these days is a newcomer—lovely and talented Muriel Angelus. Miss Angelus has been flitting around among four different pictures. She changes character as easily as a chameleon changes color. She will have finished all four films before the first is released.

2. Is it good manner to criticize the way a bridge partner plays a hand?

3. Should a bridge player apologize to his partner when he makes a stupid play?

4. Should the cards used at a bridge party be new?

5. If you hold poor cards all evening, should you explain to the other players that poor cards are responsible for your low score?

What would you do if—  
(a) Get angry and show it?  
(b) Not show your anger?

Answers  
1. No.  
2. No.  
3. Yes. "I'm sorry, partner" is enough.  
4. Yes.

5. No. Best "What Would You Do" solution—(b).

BARBS  
Billions of fish and eggs have been planted in the North Atlantic. What with the fish and mines cluttering up the ocean bottom, there was hardly enough room left for the Graf Spee and Columbus.

A judge would not admit to U.S. citizenship a former friend of Hitler. The jurist wanted to make it clear that a friend of the Fuehrer is no friend of ours.

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2. Is it good manner to criticize the way a bridge partner plays a hand?

3. Should a bridge player apologize to his partner when he makes a stupid play?

4. Should the cards used at a bridge party be new?

5. If you hold poor cards all evening, should you explain to the other players that poor cards are responsible for your low score?

What would you do if—  
(a) Get angry and show it?  
(b) Not show your anger?

Answers  
1. No.  
2. No.  
3. Yes. "I'm sorry, partner" is enough.  
4. Yes.

BARBS  
Billions of fish and eggs have been planted in the North Atlantic. What with the fish and mines cluttering up the ocean bottom, there was hardly enough room left for the Graf Spee and Columbus.

A judge would not admit to U.S. citizenship a former friend of Hitler. The jurist wanted to make it clear that a friend of the Fuehrer is no friend of ours.

Those automatic doors that open before you touch them are going to cause a lot of casualties to people used to pouncing on stubborn portals.

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To Everyone

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ALAN HALE, JOHN LITTEL, HENRY  
TRAVIS, VICTOR JORY, Wm.  
LUNDIGAN  
ALSO — "Donalds Lucky Day"  
Charlie McCarthy Novelty

Tuesday — One Day Only  
Cold Logic was no match for Hot-Chat  
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## SERIAL STORY

### BLACKOUT

BY RUTH AYERS

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YESTERDAY: The stranger who had followed Mary on deck returns her beret. She is angry, then mystified as he promises to wait for her. As she starts to dress for the party a shudder shakes the ship. Mary is pitched headlong across the cabin.

#### CHAPTER VII

"To the lifeboats!"

A steward was calling into the darkness. His voice boomed to make itself heard above the cries and confusion in the passageway.

In the blackness of her cabin, Mary's hands searched for the all-important lifebelt. "And one for Anna, too," she remembered as she groped beneath the bunk for the bloated canvas jackets. "And now for some clothes!"



# Columbus Team Defeats Ashdown

## Hempstead Independents Hard-Pushed for 31-29 Win

The Columbus Independent basketball team defeated Ashdown, 31 to 29, in a hard-fought battle last Friday night in the newly-lighted Columbus High School gymnasium.

The game was close throughout, being tied on several occasions and at no time was either team five points in the lead. Y. Dillard, Dan McJunkins and Andrew Caldwell played best for Columbus.

Thursday night of this week the Columbus team meets Texarkana at 7:30 o'clock at Columbus. The Columbus School coach is anxious to schedule a game without another county team for the same night.

The Columbus Juniors will play Bingen at 8:30 o'clock in the preliminary.

On Friday night, January 12, the two senior teams of Columbus will go to Lewisville for games there.

# South Is Land

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antiquated bug-a-boos and ghost stories about the south that have been an indoor sport in other sections."

Mr. Downes said that not only were the respective governors of southern states enthused at the approach of 1940, to the "crusading pitch," but that leaders in fields other than political were determined that the real story of the south in the New Year should be known to a greater number of people than ever before. This enthusiasm for the south among southern people also has produced very important, efficient and active units in the Southern Governors' Conference.

Mr. Downes said.

In each state, he continued, there has been set up by the governor a special organization. Its sole function is to "follow up" the trail-blazing activities of the conference. It handles all correspondence relating to that particular state, "and doesn't miss any prospects," he stated.

# Government Hand

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John, though doing all right himself, couldn't help much.

Henry's greatest consolation came from the fact that between 9,000,000 and 14,000,000 others were in the same boat, and that as 1939 closed, one American in seven was, like himself, existing through some form of public assistance.

Through the Farm Security Administration, he hopes to get a chance to go on a farm, perhaps some day own it. But the word he gets from Cousin Elmer, who is a farmer, is not encouraging.

Elmer says it is still hard to make farming pay in spite of repeated efforts to pay the farmer to reduce production and thus make prices rise to a point where it is worth while to produce food. The long succession of experiments by a tremendous organization of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration have made farm conditions only a little less tough than they were 10 years ago.

**Government Enters Private Affairs**

All members of the family have had their national government brought into their affairs as never before. All feel that the Thirties were a time of experimenting in new relations between government, the individual, and his business.

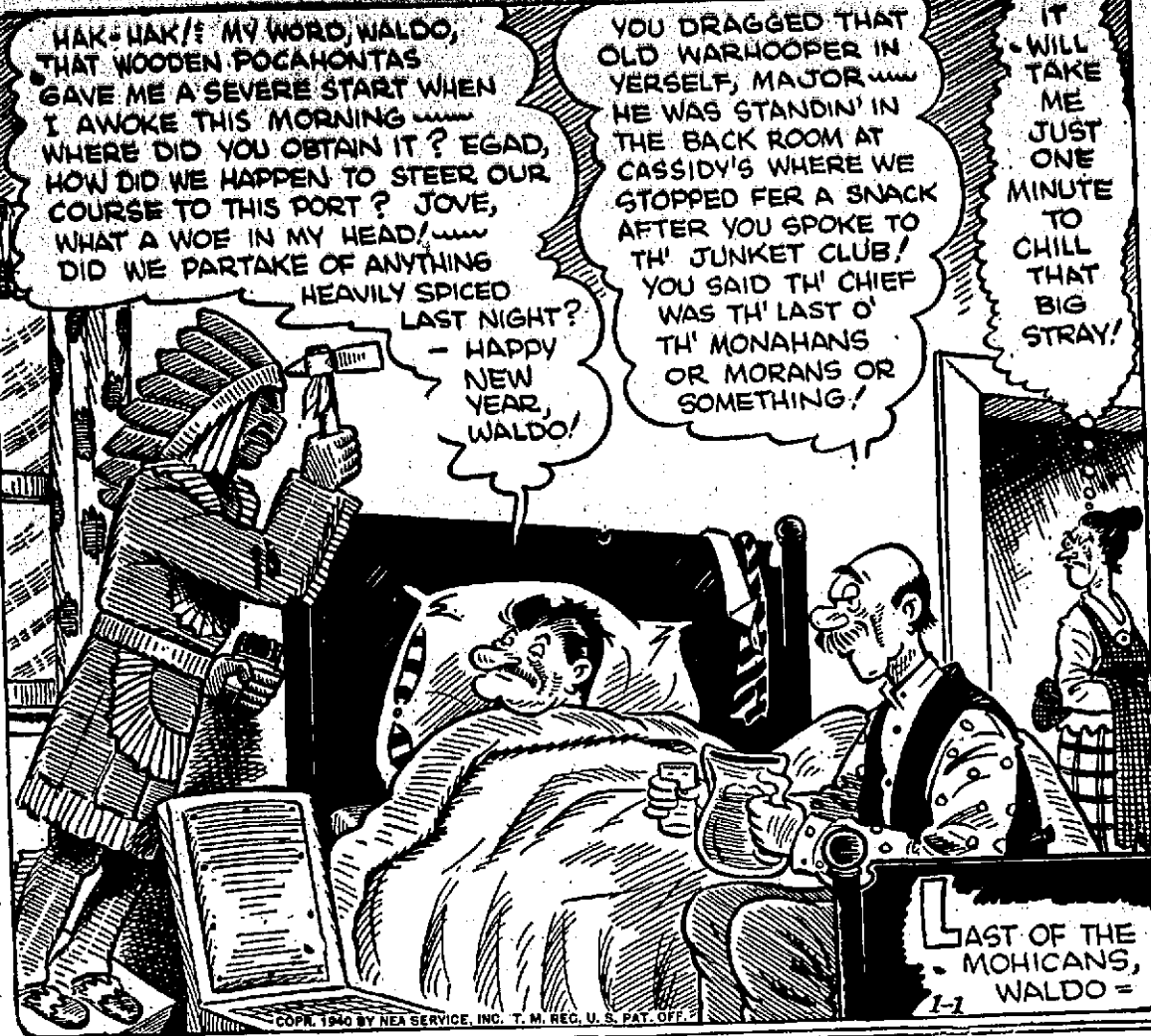
John reflects often on technical progress. He knows that he gets a better automobile or electric refrigerator or radio for the same or less money than in 1930. But he has seen the new machinery eliminating the jobs in steel mills, coal mines, and all industries.

He knows that production in most lines must rise far beyond 1929 levels to need as many men as worked in 1929. His own sons show him how the stream of new workers keeps flowing from the schools into industries faster than the older men retire.

He has seen tyranny grip several of the great nations of Europe, and seen its ambitious plans to extend itself result in widespread war. So John Q. Citizen knows that as tough as the Thirties have been for him, they have been worse for many others.

# OUR BOARDING HOUSE

with . . . Major Hoople



He looks those 1940 blank pages in the face with hope that the next 10 years will see some of the problems solved which so bedeviled the Terrific Thirties.

NEXT: Science, producing a stream of new wonders to amaze men, begins to wonder what is its relationship to society.

# Better Times Is

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the FHA loan rate, residential building awards are very encouraging. Residential building is the backbone of the lumber business. We are confident that the year 1940 will be a relatively active year in our line of business."

**Industrial Report**

Col. T. H. Barton, president of the Lion Oil Refining company of El Dorado, viewed 1939 as "A rather unsettled year," from an industrial standpoint, noting the European situation was a factor in this matter. There was an increased demand for petroleum products, but "generally speaking earnings were lower," he said.

"However," he added, "the industry, with the exception of gasoline inventories, statistically appears to be in a far better position than at the close of 1938, and indications are that 1940 as a whole should show an improvement in earnings over 1939."

Barton pointed out that South Arkansas oil development, particularly in Columbia county "gave Arkansas the highest gain in crude reserves discovered the first six months of 1939 in the nation—205,462,939 barrels, or practically 40 per cent of the increase for the entire country during that period."

"Intensive exploration in the areas of Magnolia, Atlanta, Shuler and Dorcheat has resulted in fields which promise prolific production for years to come. These fields bear out a rather firm belief which I have held for years, namely that the search for crude in 1940 and in years to come will reveal still greater fields in South Arkansas which will contribute immensely to the prosperity of the state."

Prominently identified with the state's rapidly growing livestock industry, Barton said "Promotion of this industry as a means of stabilizing our agricultural income has begun to reap decided benefits for farmers, bankers and business interests, and the state's economic picture is brightened by the new industries which are here."

"In view of this," he said, "there is no sound reason not to take an optimistic attitude toward the coming year—which promises to be much steadier economically than its predecessor."

Harvey C. Couch, Pine Bluff, president of Arkansas Power & Light Co., utilities and railroad builder, said that 1939 had been "In many ways one of the most successful" in the history of the A. P. & L., marked by further rate reductions, payment of all accumulated dividends on preferred stock, and extension of electric service to about 5,000 additional farm and city homes.

"The dawn of a new year finds us willing and anxious to do our part in even a greater way in assisting this development still further," said Couch. "There is every reason to believe that the year 1940 holds many new and greater opportunities."

He said the company had had more inquiries for power for new and larger industrial enterprises than for some time, announced a \$1,500,000 construction program was contemplated in 1940. In addition he disclosed a plan to employ an experienced geologist to work with state and local organizations in surveying possibilities of developing mineral and other resources of the state.

A less optimistic survey of 1939 came from R. A. Young, Sr., Fort Smith, president of the Arkansas-Oklahoma coal operators association, who said coal shipments were approximately 25 per cent off as compared with 1938 due to comparatively mild weather in the midwest states area.

Of 1940, he said: "Because 99 per cent of our coal is for domestic use, business depends entirely upon weather conditions during the next year."

Also from the rice country around Stuttgart came reports of an unsatisfactory price situation which developed late in the year but a survey in that area brought the general opinion that any improvement in the rice situation would be quickly reflected in a pick-up.

**The Farm Outlook**

R. E. Short, Brinkley, president of the Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation, saw increased purchasing power for the farmer generally.

"Just how good business is in 1940 will depend entirely upon how much money the farmer has to spend," said Short. "Because of a two-year program of intelligent control of production to meet demand, cotton farmers particularly are in a more advantageous position than they have been in for several years and should regard the next year with a reasonable degree of optimism. There is no doubt that farm purchasing power will be greater next year. That in itself is an accurate indicator of greater prosperity."

Other representative expressions from over the state included:

the late summer brouth. The outlook for 1940 "is just as good as it was a year ago."

A. Y. Berry, Fort Smith and Little Rock dry goods wholesaler—"Future bookings are in excess of orders on hand at the same time last year."

T. H. Faulkner, manager of the Helena Wholesale Grocery company—"The outlook for business in 1940 is better than in many years. People are in a better financial condition than in a good many years."

C. E. Mayer, Helena department store owner—"I'm so optimistic that I'm shooting the works. I'm doubling the size of my store."

M. L. Stuart, Hot Springs wholesale grocer—"1940 should be the best business year we've had since 1929. And if we are not harassed by taxes when congress meets and the government lets up on us a little, we're out of the depression."

A Camden retailer—"The people are in a better frame of mind now and employment especially in the industrial field in Camden is good. I look for the present buying basis to be continued for at least three months. After that anything can happen. This is a political year and you can't tell much about that."

A Camden wholesaler—"Conditions are better today than a year ago and I look for a continued increase in business, especially for the first part of 1940."

Claude Sharpe, vice president, Scott-Mayer Commission Co. (wholesale food), Little Rock—"It looks like we should have good business conditions in the wholesale business in Arkansas in 1940. Folks here are in pretty fair shape. We had some good crops and farmers got good prices. I don't see any reason why business shouldn't be decidedly better in 1940."

Noland Blass, president Gus Blass department store, Little Rock—"I expect a good steady business in the Arkansas retail field for the first part of 1940, at about the same level as the latter part of 1939 which the Federal Reserve Bank report shows was above the same period in 1938. I do not expect any spectacular change either way—up or down."

R. N. Benson, president, Ritchie Grocer Co., wholesalers, El Dorado—"Business in 1939 'As a whole was satisfactory.' For 1940, 'It is hard to hazard a guess as world conditions caused by wars has created a situation, which coupled with our domestic problems, gives no parallel to guide our thinking. Somehow, though, I feel the United States will surmount our difficulties, and that business generally will be better.'"

# 'Frozen' Grace



"Frozen" in mid-air by the camera as she skates at a New York rink, Hazel Franklin displays the grace which has made her, at the age of 12, England's great figure skating star.

# Pine Bluff Whips Baton Rouge, 26-0

## Rob and Ray Hutson Score All Four Touchdowns

BATON ROUGE, La. —(AP)—The Arkansas schoolboy champions from Pine Bluff, one of the South's strongest and most well-balanced high school football teams, Saturday shut out Baton Rouge high's Bulldogs 26 to 0 in the Louisiana Sports Association's second annual "championship" game.

An estimated 12,000 fans saw the colorful prep game in Louisiana State University's big stadium.

Twins brothers in the Pine Bluff backfield, Bob and Ray Hutson, scored all four touchdowns for the invaders, leading their team's devastating offensive. Their older brother is Don Hutson, former University of Alabama star now playing professional football with the Green Bay Packers.

Ray, performing from the left half-back position, scored three touchdowns, two of them directly set up by brother Bob. The latter twin tallied once.

Suited Harris, a brilliant halfback carrying the brunt of Baton Rouge's attack, gamely threatened throughout the afternoon but Pine Bluff warily held him well at bay.

Another standout star was Eddie Atkinson, sturdy guard of Pine Bluff's Zebras. His slashing tackles and all-around defensive performance was the principal reason Baton Rouge was held scoreless.

It was Atkinson who recovered a fumble by Harris in the first period on Baton Rouge's 27 yard line. The Hutsons and Tommy Leftwich plowed to the four where Ray took the ball for the first touchdown. In the second period Bob Hutson scored an other on a two-yard plunge after a drive from the 36-yard line.

A pass from Leftwich to W. S. (Jean) Lafitte, good for 24 yards to Baton Rouge's six-yard line, paved the way for the next score. Bob Hutson flipped a pass to his brother Ray who galloped over the goal for the touchdown.

The third period was scoreless but in the last Bob Hutson dashed 56 yards down the sideline, stepping out of bounds just short of the goal on Baton Rouge's eight-yard line.

Leftwich then passed to Ray Hutson for the final score.

Harris always was a threat but the powerful Zebras kept Baton Rouge on the defensive for most of the game.

Governor Carl E. Bailey of Arkansas was on hand as well as Mayor J. B. McCaughy of Pine Bluff. They led a contingent of several thousand fans from Arkansas.

# Finnish President

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a food shortage in Murmansk as a result of the raids on the railway, main supply line for the invading Russians.

Other Finnish armies occupied attacks on the Mannerheim line.

The third battle in which the Russians were driven back across the border took place near Kuhmo, about 50 miles north of Lickia, in lower central Finland. The Finnish command charted the course of the Russian rout as southeast past Kieki.

Previously, the Reds had been forced back over the border at points east and southeast of Lickia, Finnish ski troops, moreover, have been reported in dashes into Soviet territory near Salla, further north, in attempts to shear off the Soviet rail "life line."

# Germany Reached by Liner St. Louis

## 16,732-Ton Liner Runs the British Blockade

BERLIN, Germany —(AP)—The official news agency announced that the 16,732-ton German liner St. Louis slipped through the British naval blockade and reached a "home harbor" Monday after an absence of seven months.

The Ottoman Empire was for years without a standing army until in 1939 one was made up of forced levies of Christian children. The troops became known as Janissaries.

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# Reunion at Oxan for Green Family

The children of Mrs. Sallie Green, who passed away last Feb. 9, gathered at the family home, Sunday, for a reunion in memory of Mrs. Green's birthday, which was Dec. 27.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Citty, Mrs. G. S. Smith, Mrs. Carrie Carrigan, Mrs. Lou Hyatt, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Green, O. R. Green, and several grandchildren and great grand children.

# Brewing Company Has 50th Birthday

## Lawrence Fabacher, Sr., Was One of Founders

The year 1940 marks the 50th milestone in the business life of the Jackson Brewing Company, New Orleans—50 years of continuous operation. And the Brewery appropriately celebrates its Golden Anniversary with a colorful, human interest program of newspaper advertising.

With characteristic good taste, the Jackson Brewing Company credits its success to the loyalty and friendship of its thousands of friends.

New Orleans, in 1890, was a beehive of activity. Progress was in the air, matching in spirit the enthusiasm of a youthful nation. On June 6, 1890, the cornerstone was laid for a great new brewery at the corner of Jackson Square.

A neighbor to the historic statue of General Andrew Jackson astride his horse, the new Jackson Brewing Company was strategically located to the Mississippi and the railroads.

Then, like the Jax Beer of today, its trademark was the statue of General Jackson himself. Since these early days the Jackson Brewing Company has been under the guidance of the Fabacher family.

Lawrence Fabacher, Sr., who was responsible in a large part for its success, headed the institution.

At his death on August 15, 1923, his son, Lawrence Fabacher, Jr., succeeded him as president of the Brewery and has been actively connected with the company in that capacity ever since.

# Negro Is Ordered

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drunkenness.

Jim Goodson and Costo Bobo, negroes, were each fined \$10 on charges of disturbing the peace.

Wayne Vines, Aubrey Sutton, Earnest Bennett, Nathan Coleman were fined \$10 each for drunkenness.

Johnny Eubanks and Artie Hamilton forfeited \$10 cash bonds for drunkenness.

Jack Frieson, negro, forfeited \$10 cash bond for drunkenness.

Jack Garner is now a candidate. If elected, his icebox for cold snacks will be set up in the East room.

# With Friends Like You.. A 50th Birthday Too

## It's Really a Happy New Year!



Talk about starting a New Year in high, say, we're just about to burst with excitement. First, there's all of you good friends, lovers of Jax, and the thousands who came before you, who have given us this opportunity to celebrate 50 years of continuous operation. For this we are ever grateful.

Then there's the great popularity of

# Social Security Now Is Effective

## Retirement Pay Is Effective Monday Morning

WASHINGTON —(AP)—The federal old-age security plan, rated as the world's largest insurance system, went into full operation Monday to provide death and life-time retirement benefits for elderly workers, their families or survivors.

**Takes Effect**

WASHINGTON —(AP)—Thousands of men and women 65 years of age or over became eligible at midnight Sunday night for government pensions of from \$10 to \$41.60 a month.

Hailing this newest phase of the Social Security program, Paul V. McNutt, federal security administrator, said Sunday night that New Year's Eve would bring to 30,000,000 workers the satisfaction of knowing that they could expect "security for the remainder of their lives."

"For both youth and old age," McNutt said, "the prospects are brighter than on the last New Year's Eve. We can expect them to be brighter still on the eve of 1941."

First checks will be mailed about February 1. The Social Security Board estimates that 900,000 men, women and children will receive benefits totaling \$100,000,000 during 1940.

In addition to retired workers, widows and orphans of insured workers also will receive monthly pensions. The total payment to such a family will range from \$15 to \$62.50 a month, depending on the amount of wage credits accumulated by husband and father during the three years that workers and employers have been paying into the old age pension fund.

The wife of a pensioned worker also will receive a pension—equal to one-half her husband's—if she is over 65. Thus the total maximum payment to such a couple in 1940 and that the combined payments to married men and their wives will average \$39.

The social security law provides that no monthly benefit shall be greater than 80 per cent of a worker's average monthly wage prior to retirement. It also fixes a legal maximum of \$85 for a married couple, which will not be available until the wage earner has been insured for 40 years.

The law covers all workers in industrial and commercial occupations, but does not apply to farm and domestic workers, or employees of religious and charitable non-profit organizations.

Only about one-sixty-fourth of the population of Russia belongs to the Communist party. The other sixty-three sixty-fourths may have to be sent to Finland for purging.

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# Husband Held in His Wife's Death

## Charles B. Cleaver Is Arrested at Magnolia

MAGNOLIA, Ark. — Charles B. Cleaver, 39, was jailed here over the charged with first degree murder of his wife, Mrs. Ozzella Cleaver, 25, who died Wednesday. The warrant was issued by Justice S. J. Mathews at the request of Prosecuting Attorney Oren Harris and Deputy Ed Keith following three days' investigation.

Mrs. Cleaver was found dead by firemen who answered an alarm to the tourist court. The body was lying on the floor. A bed and curtain in the room were smoldering but the fire had not reached Mrs. Cleaver's body, officers said. Mrs. Cleaver was reported to have been in a nearby room when the firemen arrived. A coroner's jury returned a verdict that Mrs. Cleaver's death was due to unnatural causes.

Two Magnolia physicians and a pathologist from Shreveport examined the body. Their reports have not been made public.

Officers said that an insurance company representative reported having written a policy for \$3,500 for Mrs. Cleaver several months ago, and that it provided for double indemnity. He said that one premium had been paid and that another would have been due early in January.

The call to the Fire Department was made from a hotel across the street from the tourist court. Officers said that they found wires connecting the Cleaver telephone had been severed.

The Cleavers were married about four years ago. Mrs. Cleaver was Miss Ozzella Hollis before her marriage, and was employed at Camden when she met Cleaver.

Mr. Cleaver's first wife, who was Miss Ruth Martin of Little Rock before her marriage, died suddenly shortly after arriving in Magnolia to visit relatives five years ago, officers said.

# Another Old Craft Enters History

FERDINAND, Ind. —(AP)—At 80, Ferdinand Boeking, last of the wooden shoe cobblers who served southern Indiana's German-speaking farmers, has quit work and given his bench and tools to a museum.

His retirement marked the end of a handicraft industry brought from Europe more than a century ago. Boeking, who learned the trade from an immigrant shoemaker, had made wooden shoes 50 years.

He recalled that when he was young a pair of birch or willow shoes sold for 15 cents. They were the warmest kind of footwear, he said, and everybody wore them. At church, said Boeking, farmers would leave their shoes at the door and bare the sermon in their stocking feet.

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